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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 06/23/2009.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-5,9-20,24-35 and 39-45.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. The Examiner's Amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
2. Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was given in a telephone interview with Applicant's representative, Mr. Viktor Simkovic (Reg. No. 56012), and Examiner Linh Pham, on October 29, 2009. During the telephone conference, Mr. Simkovic has agreed and authorized the Examiner to amend claims 1, 16, and 31 of the Specification; Claims 6-7, 21-22 and 36-37 is incorporated to claim 1, 16, and 31 respectively.
3. **This listing of claims will replace all prior versions as following:**
 1. (Currently Amended) A computer navigation system having a microprocessor, comprising:
one or more interactive links displayed on a display connected to a computer ~~appliance~~ device; and
one or more visual linktags associated with ~~individual~~ particular ones of the one or more interactive links, the one or more visual linktags displaying one or more numbers, characters or symbols,
where the system is enabled to initiate ~~[[an]]~~ a particular interactive link of the one or more interactive links in the display upon receiving user input of a particular one of the numbers, characters or symbols ~~in a associated with a particular~~ associated with a particular visual linktag ~~of the one or~~

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~~more visual linktags, where the particular~~ visual linktag is separate from and displayed simultaneously with the particular interactive link, ~~wherein~~

~~where each of the one or more numbers, characters or symbols [[is]] are automatically assigned to each of the particular ones of one or more interactive links each time in response to the display containing the one or more interactive links [[is]] being loaded on provided to the computer appliance device,~~

~~where display of the one or more visual linktags is initiated by a predefined input and terminated, while the one or more interactive links are displayed, by the predefined input, such that keyboard or voice-controlled navigation is toggled on and off by the predefined input, and~~

~~where the one or more visual linktags, if toggled off, are saved and, if toggled on again, re-displayed without re-creation.~~

2. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1, ~~wherein~~ where the user input [[is]] includes vocal input.

3. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1, ~~wherein~~ where receiving the user input ~~is by selecting~~ includes receiving selection of a key on a keyboard ~~communicating with the computer appliance, the key annotated with the letter, symbol or number in a linktag.~~

4. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1, ~~wherein~~ where the one or more visual linktags are associated with particular ones of the one or more interactive links by being displayed adjacent to the ~~associated interactive link~~ particular ones of the one or more interactive links.

5. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1, ~~wherein~~ where ~~association of linktags with links is one-to-one and unique, such that no two ones of the one or more interactive links have the~~ are associated with a same linktag one of the one or more visual linktags.

6-8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1, ~~wherein~~ where functionality for display and use of linktags is provided through an operating system executed by the computer ~~appliance~~ device.

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10. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1, ~~wherein~~ where functionality for display and use of linktags is provided through a web browser application.

11. (Currently amended) The system of claim 10, ~~wherein~~ where functionality for display and use of linktags is added to an existing web browser application through a plug-in.

12. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1, ~~wherein~~ where functionality for display or use of linktags is provided through javascript code.

13. (Currently amended) The system of claim 12, ~~wherein~~ where HTML layering is used in combination with javascript to provide linktags.

14. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1, ~~wherein~~ where the one or more interactive links displayed, when initiated, launch applications to be executed on the computer ~~appliance~~ device.

15. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1, ~~wherein~~ where the one or more interactive links displayed, when initiated, initiate navigation to a destination defined in a universal resource locator.

16. (Currently Amended) A method ~~for navigation using an interactive display of a performed by a computer appliance device, the method~~ comprising ~~a~~ acts of:

displaying, using a processor associated with the computer device, one or more visual linktags associated with individual particular ones of one or more interactive links in the interactive display, each of the one or more visual linktags displaying one or more numbers, characters or symbols separate from, and simultaneously with, each particular ones of the one or more interactive links;

automatically assigning, using the processor, each of the particular ones of the one or more numbers, characters or symbols to each of the particular ones of the one or more interactive links each time in response to the interactive display containing the one or more interactive links ~~[[is]] being loaded on provided to the computer appliance device; [[and]]~~

initiating, using the processor, an interactive link a particular one of the one or more interactive links, associated with a visual linktag of the one or more visual linktags in the interactive display by in response to receiving input of the particular one of the one or more

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numbers, characters or symbols ~~[[in]]~~ displayed separate from, and simultaneously with, the particular visual linktag one of the one or more interactive links,

where display of the one or more visual linktags is initiated by a predefined input and terminated, while the one or more interactive links are displayed, by the predefined input, such that keyboard or voice-controlled navigation is toggled on and off by the predefined input, and

where the one or more visual linktags, if toggled off, are saved and, if toggled on again, re-displayed without re-creation.

17. (Currently amended) The method of claim 16, ~~wherein~~ where receiving the user input [[is]] includes receiving vocal input.

18. (Currently amended) The method of claim 16, ~~wherein~~ where receiving the user input is by includes receiving selecting selection of a key on a keyboard communicating with the computer appliance, the key annotated with the number, character or symbol in a linktag.

19. (Currently amended) The method of claim 16, ~~wherein~~ where the one or more visual linktags are associated with particular ones of the one or more interactive links by being displayed adjacent to the associated interactive link particular ones of the one or more interactive links.

20. (Original) The method of claim 16, ~~where~~ wherein association of linktags with links is one-to-one and unique, such that no two ones of the one or more interactive links have the are associated with a same one of the one or more visual linktags linktag.

21-23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently amended) The method of claim 16, ~~wherein~~ where functionality for display and use of linktags is provided through an operating system executed by the computer appliance.

25. (Currently amended) The method of claim 16, ~~wherein~~ where functionality for display and use of linktags is provided through a web browser application.

26. (Currently amended) The method of claim 25, ~~wherein~~ where functionality for display and use of linktags is added to an existing web browser application through a plug-in.

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27. (Currently amended) The method of claim 16, ~~wherein~~ where functionality for display or use of linktags is provided through javascript code.

28. (Currently amended) The method of claim 27, ~~wherein~~ where HTML layering is used in combination with javascript to provide linktags.

29. (Currently amended) The method of claim 16, ~~wherein~~ where the interactive links displayed, when initiated, launch applications to be executed on the computer ~~appliance~~ device.

30. (Currently amended) The method of claim 16, ~~wherein~~ where the interactive links displayed, when initiated, cause navigation defined in a universal resource locator (URL).

31. (Currently Amended) A ~~machine-readable medium~~ storage device having stored thereon a set of instructions ~~that cause a machine to perform a method using an interactive display of a computer appliance having a keyboard~~ executable by one or more processors, the method storage device comprising:

one or more instructions to display ~~displaying~~ one or more visual linktags associated with ~~individual~~ particular ones of one or more interactive links in the interactive display, ~~each of the one or more visual linktags displaying one or more numbers, characters or symbols separate from,~~ and simultaneously with, ~~each~~ particular ones of the one or more interactive links;

one or more instructions to automatically assign ~~automatically assigning each of the one or more particular ones of the~~ numbers, characters or symbols to ~~each~~ particular ones of the one or more interactive links ~~each time in response to the interactive display containing the one or more interactive links~~ [[is]] being loaded on the computer appliance provided to a computer device; [[and]]

one or more instructions to initiate ~~initiating an interactive link~~ a particular one of the one or more interactive links associated with ~~a visual linktag of a particular one of the one or more visual linktags in the interactive display by~~ in response to receiving input of a particular one of the one or more numbers, characters or symbols in the visual linktag displayed separate from, and simultaneously with, the particular one of the one or more interactive links; and

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where display of the one or more visual linktags is initiated by a predefined input and terminated, while the one or more interactive links are displayed, by the predefined input, such that keyboard or voice-controlled navigation is toggled on and off by the predefined input, and

where the one or more visual linktags, if toggled off, are saved and, if toggled on again, re-displayed without re-creation.

32. (Currently amended) The ~~medium~~ storage device of claim 31, ~~wherein~~ where the receiving user input ~~[[is]]~~ includes receiving vocal input.

33. (Currently amended) The ~~medium~~ storage device of claim 31, ~~wherein~~ where receiving the user input ~~is by selecting~~ includes receiving selection of a key on a keyboard ~~communicating with the computer appliance, the key annotated with the number, character or symbol in a linktag.~~

34. (Currently amended) The ~~medium~~ storage device of claim 31, ~~wherein~~ where the linktags are associated with interactive links by being displayed adjacent to the associated interactive link.

35. (Currently amended) The ~~medium~~ storage device of claim 31, ~~wherein~~ where ~~association of linktags with links is one-to-one and unique, such that no two~~ ones of the one or more interactive links have the include a same linktag one of the one or more visual linktags.

36-38. (Canceled)

39. (Currently amended) The ~~medium~~ storage device of claim 31, ~~wherein~~ where functionality for display and use of linktags is provided through an operating system executed by the computer ~~appliance~~ device.

40. (Currently amended) The ~~medium~~ storage device of claim 31, ~~wherein~~ where functionality for display and use of linktags is provided through a web browser application.

41. (Currently amended) The ~~medium~~ storage device of claim 40, ~~wherein~~ where functionality for display and use of linktags is added to an existing web browser application through a plug-in.

42. (Currently amended) The ~~medium~~ storage device of claim 31, ~~wherein~~ where functionality for display or use of linktags is provided through javascript code.

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43. (Currently amended) The ~~medium~~ storage device of claim 42, ~~wherein where~~ HTML layering is used in combination with javascript to provide linktags.

44. (Currently amended) The ~~medium~~ storage device of claim 31, ~~wherein where~~ the interactive links displayed, when initiated, launch applications to be executed on the computer ~~appliance~~ device.

45. (Currently amended) The ~~medium~~ storage device of claim 31, ~~wherein where~~ the interactive links displayed, when activated, cause navigation defined in a universal resource locator (URL).

Examiner's Statement of reason of Allowance

4. **Claims 1-5, 9-20, 24-35, and 39-45 are allowed.**

5. **The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:**

The present invention is directed to a method for providing a graphical user interface (GUI) that allows a user to view one or more interactive links and one or more visual linktags associated with individual ones of the one or more interactive links, the linktags displaying one or more numbers, characters or symbols, the system enabled to initiate an interactive link in the display upon user input of one of the numbers, characters or symbols in a linktag. The linktags, when toggled off, may be saved to be redisplayed without re-creation if toggled on again may be automatically displayed associated with interactive links in a display each time an interactive display is loaded on the computer appliance.

The Prior art made record fails to anticipated or make the claimed invention. Specifically, the prior arts fail to teach, in combination with the remaining elements, a method/system for displaying and modifying formatting properties set, comprising the steps

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of: where the one or more numbers, characters or symbols are automatically assigned to the particular ones of one or more interactive links in response to the display containing the one or more interactive links being provided to the computer device, wherein display of linktags is initiated by a predefined input and terminated, while the one or more interactive links are displayed, by the predefined input, such that keyboard and voice controlled navigation is toggled on and off by the predefined input, and when toggled off, are saved and can be redisplayed without re-creation if toggled on again as recited, or similarly recited, in independent claims 29, 36 and 43.

The closest prior art, Smethers (“Smethers” US 2003/0055870), Hennings et al., (“Hennings”, US 6,763,496), Hirayama (“Hirayama”, US 2002/0035613), Kageyama, Hiroaki (“Kageyama” US 2003/0014261), and Berger et al., (“Berger” US 2005/0195221), show a similar method for Henning: selecting a bookmark to request the associated document or file with reduced user interaction (e.g., a single button action); Hirayama: sorting registered information in the terminal whereby a user can freely sort registered titles by using the bookmark function . However, Smethers, Hennings, Hirayama, Kageyama, and Berger, singularly or in combination, still fail to anticipate or render the above cited limitations obvious.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled “Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance.”

Inquiry

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to LINH K. PHAM whose telephone number is (571)270-3230. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Thursday from 7:30AM to 5:00PM (EST).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Doon Y. Chow can be reached on (571) 272-7767. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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